## Town of Georgetown, IN

Ordinance # G-06- 26

### AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 52.53 OF THE GEORGETOWN CODE OF ORDINANCES, PROVIDING FOR AN INCREASE IN THE WATER CONNECTION FEE FOR THE TOWN OF GEORGETOWN, INDIANA

# BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GEORGETOWN, INDIANA THAT:

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of Georgetown has reviewed Chapter 52 of the Town's Code of Ordinances; and,

WHEREAS, the Town Council of Georgetown has identified that §52.53 has been superseded by increasing material costs of connecting to the water system of the Town of Georgetown; and,

WHEREAS, the State Board of Accounts and prudent business operations require the Town to charge fees to cover the Town's expenses, and not to allow the Town to lose money in the provision of a service; and,

WHEREAS, as recently as 2004, the material and labor costs for making a water connection were calculated as approximately \$200 and now those same materials cost approximately \$265 as itemized, plus labor and equipment costs:

Setter - \$70 Vault - \$23 Lid & ring - \$38 Meter - \$40 Saddle - \$40 Fittings - \$15, and service line pipe \$0.39/foot PLUS six manhours of labor plus backhoe time; and,

WHEREAS, the Town Council has noted the costs of brass, plastics made from petroleum, and other metals has been increasing at a far more rapid pace than other costs.

### NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED:

**SECTION 1.** Section 52.53 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read:

#### § 52.53 CONNECTION FEE.

Every new customer of the Water Department shall pay a connection fee to the town to cover the cost of physically connecting the new customer to the town's water distribution system. Each new customer of the Water Department shall pay a connection fee in the amount of \$200 375.00 or the actual cost incurred by the town to connect the new user to the town's water distribution system, whichever is greater.

**SECTION 2.** The remainder of the Code of Ordinances is confirmed and reiterated.

Dean Hammersmith, Member

Chris Carter, Member

ATTEST:

Doug Cook, Georgetown Clerk/Treasurer